

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1.-95. (Canceled)

Claim 96. (Previously Presented) A locking system, comprising:

a portable electronic device having a wall defining a security slot; and

a security device comprising

a housing,

a slot engagement member sized to enter into and be removed from said security slot, wherein the slot engagement member is insertable into and removable from the slot when the security device is in an unlocked configuration and wherein said slot engagement member is retained within said security slot when the security device is in a locked configuration,

a retractable inhibiting member coupled to said housing, the retractable inhibiting member inhibiting removal of the slot engagement member from the security slot when the security device is in the locked configuration, the retractable inhibiting member being retractable relative to the slot engagement member, and

a cable, coupled to said housing, for attaching to an object other than said portable electronic device.

Claim 97. (Previously Presented) The locking system of claim 96 wherein said slot engagement member rotates when moving between an unlocked position and a locked position.

Claim 98. (Currently Amended) The locking system of claim 96 wherein said slot engaging engagement member has a slot engaging portion that is complementary to preselected dimensions of said security slot.

Claim 99. (Canceled)

Claim 100. (Previously Presented) The locking system of claim 96 wherein said retractable inhibiting member extends through said housing.

Claims 101.-105. (Canceled)

Claim 106. (Previously Presented) The locking system of claim 96 wherein the security slot has dimensions of about 3 mm x about 7 mm.

Claim 107. (Previously Presented) The locking system of claim 96 wherein the portable electronic device is a portable computer.

Claim 108. (Canceled)

Claim 109. (Currently Amended) The locking system of claim ~~108~~ 107 wherein the security slot has dimensions of about 3 mm x about 7 mm.